

## LULC Technical Working Group

Meeting: Monday, March 10, 2003, 1:00 pm.

1. Introductions.

*Bill Kramber and Bill Kelley.*

2. Main Purpose: discuss and develop the LULC framework layer of the I-plan

- What are the options: existing or new data or hybrid data or?

*Existing NLCD and/or GAP as statewide base, and hybrid with higher resolution LULC data from regional and local projects. NLCD updated every 10 years. What is the update plan for GAP? Creating new data is too expensive at this point so we need to build on existing data and programs. But we should also add a section or discussion in the plan about the ultimate framework LULC data.*

- Review Utah and Arkansas LULC plans.

*Utah using new High-Resolution USGS program data as standard, not started yet, cost estimate 7 million for statewide. Arkansas using NLCD and various forms of GAP data.*

- What is needed: in terms of accuracy, classes of interest, time cycle?

*Using existing USGS programs data so will use their information.*

- Can we have a short-term plan using existing data and also a long-term plan that defines a framework LULC layer that will meet most everybody's needs?

*Will use NLCD and GAP in short-term and will standardize future high resolution projects by suggesting that the standards from the USGS High Resolution program are used. Should complete the high resolution class descriptions for Idaho, building on the classes already developed by USGS.*

3. Goal: reach agreement on main ideas for LULC framework layer.

*Yes.*

4. Plan to complete draft by May 1, facilitated by e-mail following up on this meeting

*Just received e-mail from Nathan today showing that initial drafts are due by March 17.*

- Bring members ideas and comments together in a draft and allow time for review—most of this will occur by e-mail.

5. Other: comments and ideas about other LULC issues.

*Need to have all LULC data available through Inside Idaho.*

*The idea of converting all raster data to shapefiles is not necessary—individual agencies can do this themselves if necessary for their specific area of interest. If an*

*agency does not have the software to do this, they can ask for help from another agency.*

*Perhaps we need to identify target areas for high resolution coverage, such as urban areas.*